



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

August 12, 2011

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from August 5, 2011 – August 11, 2011. Readers are reminded that an “arrest” is based upon probable cause and does not always mean that someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean that an individual is automatically guilty of a crime. Judicial outcomes and post- arrest proceedings can be researched through the appropriate court’s website.

(VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS is not meant to be a listing of every incident or call handled by the Vienna Police, but merely a more substantive summary of several incidents which may be of interest to the community. Some reports may be outside the date parameters due to extended investigations or other circumstances. Some cases are not included at all due to ongoing investigations. Please contact MPO Bill Murray for further information at wmurray@viennava.gov)

INCIDENTS

Assault Report 11-13094

600 Block Kingsley Road, SW

Between July 25 and July 29, 2011

A citizen reported an ongoing abusive relationship.

After an investigation the warrant obtainment process was explained to the citizen. Assistance referrals were also provided.

Medical Call/ Narcotics Event 11-12704

1000 Block Lynn Street, SW

July 31 11:14 p.m.

PFC Ruddy responded for a medical emergency. A concerned citizen called and reported that two known subjects were incoherent and he was concerned for their welfare.

Fairfax County EMS responded to treat the subjects and during their assessment some narcotics and drug paraphernalia was discovered.

PFC Ruddy will follow up on this case.

Suspicious Event 11-13307
200 Block Locust Street, SE
August 1 5:30 p.m.

A resident reported that a previous resident had asked her to open the mailbox associated with her unit to retrieve a passport.

The current tenant does not have a key to the box and was instructed to contact the United States Postal Service regarding access.

Lost Property 11-12998
Magruder's
180 Maple Avenue, West
August 4 12:38 p.m.

A citizen reported losing her wallet and its contents while at the listed location.

Please see note to citizens below.

Arrest- Noise Violation 11-12960
200 Block Maple Avenue, SE
August 5 2:59 a.m.

MPO Evans located some workers that were power washing a building in the early morning hours. Their equipment was noisy and believed to be in violation of the Town's noise ordinance.

After a brief investigation MPO Evans issued 45 year old Leonardo Santiago Lorenzo of 1st Street in Rockville, Maryland a summons for the violation. He was released after signing the summons.

Lost Property 11-13020
Fresh Market
150 Branch Road, SE
August 5 12:08 p.m.

A citizen reported losing her wallet and its contents while at the listed location.

Please see note to citizens below.

Suspicious Event 11-13104**400 Block Berry Street, SE****Between August 5 at 3:00 p.m. and August 6 at 7:20 p.m.**

A citizen reported that she did not receive any mail for 2 days. She reported that her neighbor had received some junk mail but she had not. She also reported that she never received a check that was supposed to have been sent to her.

Officer Vazquez referred the woman to the Vienna post office for investigation.

Lost Property 11-13112**Fresh Market****150 Branch Road, SE****August 6 8:30 a.m.**

A citizen reported losing her cell phone at or near the listed location.

On August 11th the complainant reported that she found the phone wedged between the seats in her vehicle.

Suspicious Person 11-13090**Dominion Power Station****397 Center Street, North****August 6 12:12 p.m.**

An alert citizen reported two suspicious male subjects on the property of the power station.

Officer Myers responded but was unable to locate anyone on the property.

Citizens are again encouraged to notify police if they see someone suspicious near any of the Dominion Power facilities. Several significant larcenies have occurred at these sites.

Police Service 11-13105**100 Block Center Street, North****August 6 7:44 p.m.**

A citizen reported that she and her former boyfriend have a child together. The father picks the child up on a regular basis but recently did so and reported he would keep the child longer as he was going on vacation. The mother did not want the child to be gone so long.

There is no formal agreement regarding custody and the complainant was advised regarding her legal options.

Police Service 11-13110
100 Block Sanoey Circle, SE
August 6 9:48 p.m.

A citizen reported that there was an unwanted guest on his front porch.

Officer Vazquez responded and asked the unwanted guest to leave. She did so without incident.

Arrest- Drunk in Public 11-13128
Cedar Lane Shopping Center
262 Cedar Lane, SE
August 7 1:58 a.m.

An employee of Neighbor's Restaurant reported that a customer had attempted to stab him with a knife.

MPO Shaw's investigation revealed that a dispute had occurred inside the bar area of the restaurant. Both parties then went outside and a threat to stab was made using a comb. There were conflicting versions of exactly what occurred before and after the threat.

MPO Shaw eventually arrested 40 year old Miguel Ramirez Chicas- Bueso of no fixed address for Drunk in Public. He was then transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center.

All involved parties were advised regarding the warrant obtainment process.

Arrest- Driving While Intoxicated 11-13132
500 Block Maple Avenue, NW
August 7 4:01 a.m.

MPO Lose conducted a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver he detected signs of possible impairment.

After attempting to complete several field sobriety tests 21 year old Ryan Chance Bentley of Hillcrest Drive in Vienna was arrested for Driving While Intoxicated. He was then transported to Vienna Police Headquarters for analysis of his breath. After the analysis he was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center.

Suspicious Person 11-13147

397 Center Street, North

August 7 6:36 p.m.

An alert citizen reported that a suspicious male was near the Dominion Power station.

Officer Vazquez was unable to locate the individual in question.

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Domestic Dispute 11-13151

100 Block Cherry Circle, SW

August 7 10:10 p.m.

A woman reported that her boyfriend had threatened her.

After discussing the situation with MPO Shaw the boyfriend left the residence to stay with a friend.

Car Alarm 11-13225

900 Block Plum Street, SW

August 8 between 10:00 a.m. and 8:40 p.m.

A citizen reported that a vehicle alarm had been sounding at periodic intervals throughout the day.

Attempts to contact the vehicle's owner were met with negative results.

Destruction of Property 11-13219

100 Block Patrick Street, SE

August 8 3:49 p.m.

A resident reported that an unknown subject had thrown a beer bottle through a glass table top while it was on her patio.

Domestic Dispute 11-13220

100 Block Kingsley Road, SW

August 8 3:55 p.m.

Officers responded for a domestic dispute between a boyfriend and girlfriend. MPO Simon's investigation revealed that the two were arguing and the boyfriend punched a wall.

MPO Simon discussed the matter with both parties and suggested alternatives to their conduct.

Civil Complaint 11-13226
500 Block Highland Street, NW
August 8 8:45 p.m.

MPO Seitz investigated a civil complaint involving a contractor and a customer. The dispute centered on the number of bricks used in a project and the amount of payment per brick.

The legal options available to all parties were discussed.

Police Service 11-13229
300 Block Owaissa Road, SE
August 8 9:00 p.m.

A mother reported that her teenage son was 2 hours late in coming home.

MPO Sheeran located the boy at an area store and returned him to his home.

Domestic Dispute 11-13228
900 Block Country Club Drive, NE
August 8 9:10 p.m.

Fairfax County EMS requested officer assistance with an injury case.

MPO Lewis' investigation revealed that a mother and daughter had been arguing. During the argument a mirror fell to the floor and injured the mother's leg. No criminal act is believed to have occurred.

Trespassing 11-13305
El Punto Restaurant
262 Cedar Lane, SE
August 9 6:50 p.m.

A restaurant employee requested police assistance in banning a subject from the property.

MPO Sheeran located the individual and assisted the employee with his request.

Police Service 11-13314
400 Block East Street, SE
August 9 9:37 p.m.

A citizen reported that she received a disturbing text message from a former subordinate employee that had been terminated several years ago. This is the first contact she has had with the individual in many years.

Domestic Dispute 11-13315
400 Block Tapawingo Road, SE
August 9 10:53 p.m.

A concerned individual notified police that they believed a domestic dispute was ongoing at a home. MPO Sheeran arrived and determined that a husband and wife were arguing about his live-in mother in law but there was no violation of law. At the husband's request he was counseled regarding the eviction process for his mother in law.

Found Property 11-13326
Vienna Police Headquarters
215 Center Street, South
August 10 8:43 a.m.

A citizen found a wallet in front of his home in the 9900 block of Lindel Lane in Fairfax County and brought it to Vienna Police Headquarters to turn it in.

MPO Burchfield contacted the wallet's owner and discovered that it was a stolen wallet from August 8, 2011. The wallet was returned to the owner and he was advised to contact the Fairfax County Police regarding the recovery.

Suspicious Event 11-13349
Vienna Valet
103 Beulah Road, NE
August 10 1:11 p.m.

Officer Kiley responded to investigate a customer dispute involving the loss of some clothing. The customer reported dropping off some items for cleaning. When she returned to pick the items up, the store informed her that the items were not in the store. The customer had no receipts showing that the clothing had in fact been dropped off for cleaning.

Arrests- Petit Larceny, Drunk in Public 11-13361
Johnny's Pizza Restaurant
141 Park Street, SE
August 10 4:40 p.m.

An employee reported that a customer had ordered a drink and left without paying. The customer had also made inappropriate comments to a young girl seated in the restaurant.

Officer Myers located the individual and after an investigation arrested Jonathan G. Witherow, 30, of Beulah Road in Vienna for Drunk in Public and Defrauding an Innkeeper. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and held on \$500.00 bond.

The girl's father was notified and responded to meet with Officer Myers to discuss the interaction between the girl and Mr. Witherow.

Officer Myers will follow up with the family regarding any additional charges.

Domestic Dispute 11-13366**7-11 Store****427 Maple Avenue, East****August 10 8:03 p.m.**

An alert citizen called to report an assault that had just occurred inside a parked vehicle.

Officer Vazquez located the vehicle and interviewed the occupants. His investigation revealed that a father had grabbed his daughter's wrist after she attempted to remove a young child from a carseat against his wishes. Fairfax County EMS was requested to evaluate the injury. They found no visible signs of injury.

Additional investigation revealed that there was no criminal act and that the father was merely trying to prevent the girl from removing the child from the seat.

Suspicious Person 11-13387**200 Block Cherry Street, SW****August 11 3:19 a.m.**

An alert citizen reported a suspicious individual that was looking at construction equipment in the early morning hours.

MPO Sheeran located the subjects and identified them. The men were found to be neighbors and had just been looking through the rubble of a demolished home. They were counseled regarding their actions.

Police Service- Law Enforcement Assist 11-13399**300 Block George Street, SW****August 11 9:14 a.m.**

A deputy sheriff from the Fairfax County Sheriff's Office requested assistance with the eviction of an individual from a home. The individual refused to vacate the premises after being directed to do so and became aggressive towards the deputy.

Officers from the Vienna Police assisted the deputy with the arrest of the subject for Trespassing. MPO Shaver then transported the individual to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center for the deputy.

CRASHES**300 Block Maple Avenue near Pleasant Street, NW 11-12569****Hit and Run****July 29 9:14 a.m.**

As a vehicle exited a parking space it struck another parked vehicle. The striking vehicle then continued on and drove on top of a flower box. It then struck another vehicle and fled from the scene.

Maple Avenue near Nutley Street, NW 11-12648

July 30 2:45 p.m.

As a vehicle exited a parking lot area and attempted to make a left turn on to eastbound Maple Avenue, it pulled into the path of a westbound vehicle that was on Maple Avenue.

The driver of the turning vehicle was charged with Failure to Yield the Right of Way.

Maple Avenue near Park Street, SE 11-12685

July 31 11:50 a.m.

As one vehicle slowed on Maple Avenue to make a right turn into a driveway, it was struck in the rear by another vehicle.

Maple Avenue near Center Street, SE 11-12734

August 1 1:12 p.m.

As one vehicle that was traveling along Maple Avenue slowed to stop it was struck in the rear by a second vehicle.

Maple Avenue at Lewis Street, NW 11-12862

August 3 4:25 p.m.

Two in-line vehicles were stopped on Maple Avenue. The rearmost vehicle then rolled forward and bumped into the front vehicle.

Center Street at Maple Avenue, NW 11-12939

August 4 7:16 p.m.

A southbound vehicle had stopped on Center Street at Maple Avenue for a red traffic signal. When the driver saw an opening in oncoming traffic to the left, she proceeded without checking for pedestrians entering the crosswalk from the right. Her vehicle then struck 2 pedestrians. The pedestrians sustained minor injuries.

The driver of the vehicle was charged with Failure to Yield to Pedestrians in Crosswalk.

Citizens are reminded to make **Eye to Eye** contact prior to proceeding at any intersection.

Maple Avenue near Beulah Road, NE 11-13111

August 6 9:53 p.m.

Two side by side vehicles were traveling along Maple Avenue. The vehicle in the left travel lane drifted over into the right lane and struck the other vehicle.

MEDIA RELEASES

Issued August 9, 2011:

Vienna Police to Again Participate in D.E.A. Prescription Drug Take Back Initiative



In conjunction with the United States Drug Enforcement Agency (D.E.A.) and state and local law enforcement agencies, the Vienna Police Department will again participate in a one-day initiative to remove potentially dangerous controlled substances from area homes.

On October 29, 2011 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. the Vienna Police Department will have a collection site for old, expired, unused, or unwanted medications. Prescription medications, controlled or non- controlled substances, and over the counter drugs may be turned in anonymously at the collection point inside Vienna Police Headquarters at 215 Center Street, South Vienna, Virginia 22180.

Participants may dispose of medication in its original container or by removing it and disposing of it directly in to the collection box. If an original container is used the individual should consider removing any identifying information from the prescription label. Liquid products should remain sealed in their original container to prevent leakage. Intra-venous solutions, injectibles, and syringes will not be accepted due to associated hazards. In April of 2011 approximately 235 pounds of unused drugs were collected at the Vienna Police site.

CASE UPDATES

From the April 1, 2009 Vienna Police Highlights:

Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

Electronic Equipment Stolen from Home During Daylight Burglary

On March 27, 2009 at approximately 8:10 a.m. an unknown individual unlawfully entered a home in the 300 block of Lawyers Road, NW. The individual removed an undisclosed amount of electronic equipment then fled from the home. It appears as though the home was targeted by the suspect.

The suspect is described as a black male, 25-30 years of age with short hair and a long thin moustache. He was wearing a blue “hoodie” type sweatshirt and khaki pants. Included in the release is a composite drawing of the suspect.



Anyone with any information regarding this suspect or this incident is asked to call Detective Leroux at 703-255-6332.

Case Update- After an extensive investigation by Detective Leroux warrants were secured charging Keith V. Bell, 35, of no fixed address with Burglary and Grand Larceny. Mr. Bell's whereabouts were unknown at the time the warrant was issued.

Arrest- On August 3, 2011 Loudoun County, Virginia Deputy Sheriff's arrested Mr. Bell based upon the outstanding warrants.

From the September 3, 2010 Vienna Police Highlights:

Fraudulent Check Case 10-9523

Burke and Herbert Bank

302 Maple Avenue, West

August 27 12:00 p.m.

A bank employee reported that a subject brought a check in to the bank for payment. After funds were given to the subject, it was determined that the check was fraudulent.

This case is still being investigated.

Case Update- After investigating this case Detective Sylmar obtained felony warrants for Fred Steven Owens, 58, of North Carolina Avenue in Washington, D.C. The warrants charged Mr. Owens with Obtaining Money by False Pretense and Uttering a Forged Check.

Arrest- On August 11th Officer Kiley served the two outstanding arrest warrants on Mr. Owens at the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. Mr. Owens was already being held on an unrelated charge. He continues to be held without bond.

OF INTEREST/ CITIZEN NOTES

-Due to the unusual number of lost property reports at area shopping locations, the Vienna Police would like to strongly encourage citizens to keep track of purses and wallets while shopping. Please be extra vigilant while conducting a transaction and shortly thereafter.

-Citizens are also encouraged to notify police if they should see someone suspicious near any of the Dominion Power facilities. Several significant larcenies have occurred at these sites.

Interested in becoming a Vienna police officer?

Consider joining one of the premier law enforcement agencies in Northern Virginia. The Town of Vienna Police Department offers a competitive salary, excellent benefits, and a **20 year retirement plan. *Hired at 21; RETIRED at 41!***

For application information please call 703-255-6350 or visit:

http://www.viennava.gov/Town_Departments/pd_recruitment/hiring_exam.shtm

Citizens are reminded to PLEASE call and report suspicious activity. Even if you choose not to provide your name or other personal information, we still need your help as extra eyes and ears in the community.

Please call and report!

See or Hear Something? Say Something! - Dial 9-1-1

Please contact MPO Bill Murray for further information on any of these cases at wmurray@viennava.gov or 703-255-6396.